

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A container (1) comprising walls (2-6) defining an inside zone (7) suitable for housing at least one piece of equipment (8), at least one of said walls (2-6) being
5 constituted by at least three sub-walls (9-11) spaced apart from one another in such a manner as to define at least first and second air circulation spaces (12, 13), said first space (12) communicating with the outside of said container via at least two outside openings (14-16),
10 and said second space (13) communicating said inside zone (7) via at least two openings, a first one of said sub-walls (9) facing the outside of said container, a second one of said sub-walls (10) facing said inside zone, and a third one of said sub-walls (11) being interposed between
15 said first and second sub-walls (9, 10), the container being characterized in that said first sub-wall (9) is constituted by a thermally insulating material.
2. A container according to claim 1, in which said third
20 sub-wall (11) is constituted by a material for enabling heat to be transferred between said first and second spaces (12, 13).
3. A container according to claim 1, in which said second
25 sub-wall (9) is constituted by a thermally insulating material.
4. A container according to claim 1, including at least a first air circulator device (20) arranged to suck in air
30 from outside said container via at least a first one of said outside openings (14, 15), to cause said outside air to circulate in said first space (12), and then to expel said outside air through at least a second one or said outside openings (16).

5. A container according to claim 4, in which at least a portion of said air circulator device (20) is installed substantially in said second outside opening (16).

- 5 6. A container according to claim 4, in which said first air circulator device (20) comprises at least one fan.

7. A container according to claim 1, including at least one second air circulator device (21) arranged to suck
10 air in from said inside zone (7) via at least one of said first inside openings (17), to cause said inside air to circulate in said second space (13), and then to expel said inside air through at least a second one of said inside openings (18, 19).

- 15 8. A container according to claim 7, in which a portion at least of said second air circulator device (21) is installed substantially in said second inside opening (17).

- 20 9. A container according to claim 7, in which said second air circulator device (21) comprises at least one fan.

10. A container according to claim 4, including a control
25 device (22) arranged to control the operation of said first air circulator device (20) and/or of said second air circulator device (21).

11. A container according to claim 10, in which said
30 control device (22) is arranged to control the operation of said first air circulator device (20) and/or of said second air circulator device (21) in such a manner as to regulate the temperature in said inside zone (7).

- 35 12. A container according to claim 1, in which the direction of air circulation in said first space (12) is

substantially opposite to the direction of air circulation in said second space (13).

13. A container according to claim 1, in which at least
5 three of its walls (2, 3, 6) are constituted by said sub-
walls (9-11).

14. A container according to claim 13, in which said
three walls (2, 3, 6) communicate with one another in
10 such a manner as to constitute a single-shaped element.

15. A container according to claim 13, in which one of
said three walls (2, 3, 6) is a top wall (6).

16. A telephone system including a container according to
15 claim 1 housing telephone equipment (8).